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AROUND the TOWNSHIP

With news that realignment of the Niles Canyon road has been definitely included in the recommendations for projects to be completed by the state highway commission during the 1939-41 biennium, a number of Niles citizens, principally members of the junior and senior chambers of commerce, heaved big sighs of satisfaction.

They harked back to when during the last two years a continuity of effort was expended in bringing the crying need of an improved canyon road to the attention of the commission.

It appears now that their efforts will have not gone for nothing and that the new thoroughfare through the hills will not be long in becoming a reality.

Truly the steady drop of water weareth away the stone.

Along with the more substantial mementos of the trip to Washington, D. C. in 1937 to the Boy Scouts jamboree, with stop overs and sightseeing forays at intermediate points of interest, hotel soap dishes, fountain and restaurant menu and straw containers, post card racks and various and sundry other strategic spots must have been rather bare after the cyclonic visit of the Scouts had transpired.

All this, judging from the exhibits from a to z about 15 to 20 times around, which now is the property of the Niles troop and in custody of Scoutmaster Baldy Pine.

Following the session of the Junior Chamber of Commerce at the Scout House on Monday evening, Pine undid his two trunks and spread out on tables, benches and chairs, an unbelievable array of literature and mementos that would lead the most skeptical to the conclusion that all points were thoroughly gone over.

There is no doubt but that the trip and the jamboree will live long in the memory of those who attended.

Flashing a new color scheme of blue and gold, California automobile license plates for 1939 will begin to appear in the township January 3 with the opening of the annual period for renewal of registration. California plates for the new year will also be distinguished by the wording, "California World's Fair 39" in addition to their new color combination of gold lettering on a blue background.

The regular period for renewing registration and securing new plates will continue to February 4, when delinquent penalties will be imposed. Plates will be issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles at its various offices and by the California State Automobile Association to member motorists at 33 district offices.

OAKLAND COMPANY WILL BUILD FIRST SEWAGE PLANT UNIT

DECOTO — The Underground Construction Company of Oakland was low bidder for the construction for the first unit of the \$100,000 sewerage disposal plant at Decoto. Their bid was \$17,538. There were eight bids from Bay section contractors.

Bids will be advertised for later for the collection system, according to J. P. Calderia, chairman of the sanitary board.

PUPILS ENJOY CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

CENTERVILLE — A Christmas program was given for the students of the Centerville Grammar school this morning. Candy was given to all present by Santa Claus. The party was sponsored by the Parent Teachers Association.

Catholic Sunday Schools Announce Christmas Parties

The following schedule for Christmas parties for Catholic Sunday Schools in the township is announced for this week and next, all but one of the programs to be sponsored by Sisters of the Holy Family of San Jose:

Newark—St. Edward's, to be held at the grammar school tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Niles—Corpus Christi, at the Veterans' Memorial Building, Sunday at 2:30 p. m.

Alvarado—St. Anne's, tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the grammar school.

Centerville—Holy Ghost, at the Parish Hall on Sunday from 2 to 4 p. m.

Decoto—Holy Rosary, on Tuesday, Dec. 20, 2 o'clock at the church.

Children of the St. Joseph's church at Mission San Jose will be entertained by the Dominican Sisters on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 22, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

There will be no Christmas program at St. Mary of the Palms this year but Christmas dinner will be served to the children who remain at the school for the holidays. Classes will close today and children who are to visit their parents for Christmas will leave Sunday and return on Jan. 3.

PLAY AND MINSTREL SHOW AT VETERANS BUILDING SUNDAY

NILES — The Corpus Christi Church will give an entertainment in the Veterans Memorial building on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The first part of the program will be a Christmas play by the Sisters entitled, "Maid of Bethlehem." A minstrel show will be given by the following children: Betty Maciel, "Music, Maestro, Please"; Betty Vieux, "My Walk in the Park"; Florence Marie Brown, "There's a Silver on the Sage"; Gloria Salvadorini, "A Tisket, A Tasket"; Loretta Lewis, "When Mother Nature Sings Her Lullaby"; Lillian Franco, "Stop Beatin' Round the Mulberry Bush"; Marie Avilla, "On the Bumpy Road to Love."

The chorus will be sung by children of the Confirmation Class, who are Henry Rego, Louie Costa, Florence Marie Brown, Gloria Salvadorini, Ernestine Rebello, Lillian Franco, Edith Costa, Janice Rodrick, Alma Pogetto, Marie Avilla, Loretta Lewis, Dorothy Machado, Barbara Maciel, Betty Vieux, Anna Blanche Pratoli, Charlotte Lewis, Betty Maciel and Mickey Rose. Accompanying the singing will be Albe Mae Costa, playing the piano and Albert Silva with his accordion. Lawrence Moise will be interlocutor for the minstrel show. Charlie McCarthy will be impersonated by Mickey Rose.

Candy and Christmas presents will be distributed to the children by the Holy Family Sisters.

TOWNSHIP SCOUTS HOLD ANNUAL RALLY

CENTERVILLE — The annual rally of the Boy Scouts of Washington Township was held at the high school last night under the chairmanship of Jack Prouty. Results of the inter-troop contests will appear in next week's Register.

NEARLY 100 JOIN SPORTSMEN'S CLUB

NEWARK—The Newark Sportsmen held a dinner meeting at the Butler Hotel on Tuesday night. Those in charge were President Joe Machado, Louis Smith, Tony Ornellis and S. G. Scott.

The club which was organized eight months ago now has 97 members. A turkey shoot was held at the skeet field last Sunday where the club has recently leased two acres of ground.

MASS AT 11:30 IN WINTER

Corpus Christi Church Niles: Masses every Sunday at 8:30 and 11:30 Decoto: Mass at 10 (2nd Sun. of Month at Decoto mass at 8:30)

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REBEKAH LODGE NAMES OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR

NILES—Officers who will direct activities of Niles Rebekah Lodge No. 336 during the coming year were elected at the last regular meeting of the lodge.

Succeeding Mrs. Julia Cull as Noble Grand will be Mrs. Anna-belle McGraw. Others to be installed are Mrs. Ivy Cull, vice grand; Mrs. Rose Fournier, recording secretary; Mrs. Fern Mitte, financial secretary and Mrs. Mary Barnard, treasurer.

Appointive officers will be named later, and installation will be held on Friday evening Jan. 20. Mrs. Lucetta B. Duffey, district deputy president of District No. 53, will have charge of the installation ceremonies.

Hayward Noses Out Niles Rotary Club In Quiz Contest

NILES—Originality instead of accuracy marked many of the answers given in the quiz contest between the Hayward and Niles Rotary Clubs at last Thursday's luncheon meeting of the Niles club at the Hotel Belvoir.

Ward Cassidy of Hayward answered "little Elks" when asked what Elks have that no other animals have. The correct answer, he was informed was "parades." Clarence Crane was chairman of the day, assisted by Lawrence Avilla and Dr. T. C. Wilson, president, was master of ceremonies.

The Niles team consisted of Fred Wood, George Smith, J. A. MacDonald, George Bonde, Dr. E. C. Dawson and C. W. Kraft who pitted their wits against Rev. W. A. Pankey, Fred Johnson, Harry Lee, Alfred Frager, Alvin Joseph and Ward Cassidy of Hayward, high score going to Fred Johnson, principal of the Hayward night school. Other Hayward guests were Bill Lindsay, Chester Perry and W. D. Sutherland.

This week's program was to be a surprise affair directed by E. F. Glassbrook and next Thursday's program will be a Christmas event with Rev. R. C. Day in charge.

SERVICES HELD FOR MRS. NORRIS

CENTERVILLE — Funeral services for Miranda Norris of Centerville were held this morning with mass at the Holy Ghost church and interment at the Holy Ghost cemetery, the Chapel of the Palms. The deceased, member of a prominent pioneer family of the community passed away at her home Wednesday morning after a brief illness.

She was the sister of Emma, Harriet, Mary and David Norris and the late Joseph, Monroe and Garrett Norris. She was the aunt of Judge Allen G. Norris and Miss Marcella Norris of Centerville.

Court Will Rule On Dismissal Of Homicide Charge

CENTERVILLE — A ruling on the dismissal of the charge of negligent homicide against Dr. Gaylord K. Cooke, Berkeley city milk inspector, involving the death of Mrs. Mary Gilbert of San Jose was expected at a hearing this week before Judge Allen G. Norris of the Centerville Justice Court.

The prosecution, represented by L. E. Dayton, deputy district attorney, cited authorities last Friday, claiming that a complaint could be filed upon information and belief where the allegations are positive enough for the issuance of a warrant for arrest. Precedents quoted were claimed not to refer to the case in hand by the defense attorney, Allison Schofield of San Francisco. Schofield conceded authority of the deputy district attorney to file a complaint.

The hearing was conducted at the home of Judge Allen G. Norris due to the fact that he was unable to be in court after a week's illness.

Fred Duffie Chosen President Of Niles Civic Organization

NILES—Officers were elected at Monday night's meeting of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. They are Fred Duffie, president; Dr. T. C. Wilson, vice president; Edward Enos, secretary; J. B. Smith, treasurer; Lewis Lewis, Henry Vervais, Lawrence Sharpe, Joe Vivieros and Barney Baiocchi, directors.

Installation will be held on January 23.

Arrangements were made for the Christmas party for children at the Niles Theatre next Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. There will be two reels of comics, local talent and Santa Claus will distribute gifts. All children of Niles are invited.

The annual New Year's Eve dance will be given at the Palomar Ballroom with the retiring board of directors in charge. The public is invited.

The Junior Chamber will assist with the Junior Traffic Patrol Christmas party at Pleasanton tomorrow night. Transportation will be furnished by President Lewis Lewis, Principal E. D. Bristow, Scout Executive W. T. Lindsay and Reginald Calhoun. Gifts will be bought for the boys by the P. T. A.

Reports of the Northern California convention of Junior Chambers at Treasure Island last Saturday were made by Lawrence Sharpe and Lawrence Pine who attended.

CHRISTMAS JINKS TUESDAY ENTERTAINS MEN OF TOWNSHIP

NILES — The Christmas jinks of the Men's Club of Washington Township will be held next Tuesday night at the Veterans Memorial Building. A turkey dinner will be served by the Washington Township Post of the American Legion.

The program will include novelty numbers by the Five Aces, local orchestra, acrobatic dancing by Ginger Lane, vocal numbers by Phyllis Owens and a stage show of song and dance numbers directed by Scotty Weston. There will also be community singing.

President Erle Hygelund will be toastmaster. Arrangements are being made by E. J. Pimentel, J. V. Gould and John Dutra. A. J. Pet-sche will have charge of decorations.

Irvington To Hold Community Party

IRVINGTON — All children and grown-ups of Irvington are invited to attend a Christmas party to be given this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at Maple Hall by the Parent Teachers Association.

Fifty dollars was donated by the association to sponsor a community tree and program for this afternoon. The program will be given by the grammar school under the direction of the faculty. The new orchestra will play under the direction of Dwight Thornburg and Miss Barbara Root. Mrs. Wayne Day is general chairman for the tree and gifts and is being assisted by Mrs. Ann Rose and Miss Agnes Raymond.

Baskets have also been arranged for the needy by a committee headed by Mrs. Ethel Grimmer. The recent dinner and whist party netted the association \$71.08, according to Mrs. Raymond Benbow, publicity chairman.

TREE AND GIFTS AT CHURCH PARTY

NILES — The Christmas party of the Niles Congregational Church will be held at the Veterans' Memorial Building on Friday night, Dec. 23, according to the pastor, Rev. R. C. Day.

There will be a tree and gifts for the children and a special program of Christmas music by the choir. Arrangements are being made by Mrs. Fred Duffie, superintendent, and the other Sunday School teachers.

Red Cross Roll Call Nets Large Member Increase

NILES—Final reports for the 1938 Red Cross Roll Call shows approximately a 50 per cent increase over last year's collections with a total of \$667.35 for the township, according to Mrs. C. N. Myrick, general chairman.

Mrs. Myrick wishes to thank all individuals who assisted in the roll call and particularly the several workers who helped this year for the first time. Organizations assisting were the Japanese American Citizenship League who sent \$81, the steel plant at Niles which sent in \$65 from individual members, the California Chemical plant at Newark which gave a company donation, the American Legion, the Auxiliary and the Boosters Club and the Women's Improvement Club at Newark.

Reports from towns are as follows: Niles, \$249.85; Centerville, \$115; Newark, \$91.50; Irvington, \$45; Alvarado, \$34; Decoto, \$27; Mission San Jose, \$13; and Warm Springs, \$11.

Half of each \$1 membership and all contributions remain in the township for local use, states Mrs. Myrick. A \$5 donation means that one dollar is taken for membership and half of that sent to headquarters, the remaining \$4.50 remaining in the township treasury.

Among the projects for which the local money has been used during the past year are fifty dollars to Christmas fund at Veterans Hospital at Livermore, standing order for stationery and matches to veterans, equipment for home hygiene classes in grammar schools and for adult class now being held in Decoto, equipment at Red Cross highway first aid station at Newark, flood relief at Alvarado last winter, dental clinic at Newark, etc.

Town chairmen for this year were Mrs. T. N. Alexander, Mrs. Ed Richmond, Mrs. A. A. Amaral, Mrs. Lee Williams, L. H. Maffey, Mrs. T. D. Witherly, Mrs. Ray Truscott and Charles Gillespie. The Japanese donation came through F. Kato and S. Toda.

TIN CAN DANCE WILL HELP SPREAD CHEER AT CHRISTMAS

CENTERVILLE — Students of the Washington Union High School are giving a "tin can dance" in the school gymnasium this morning in an effort to cooperate with the Welfare Club in distributing Christmas cheer to needy families.

Each student was asked to bring a can of fruit or other food, all articles to be distributed through the Welfare Club to organizations wishing to give baskets for the Yule season. Many organizations are participating this year in view of the contributions from the school that have not done so before, Mrs. W. L. McWhirter, welfare president, says.

The student body was shown the Christmas pageant, "The Other Wise Man" this morning in a preview for Sunday when the program will be shown free to the public at 5:30 and at 7:30 o'clock. The dance is being sponsored by the Girls League under the direction of Miss Sibyl Botelho, dean of girls.

ONLY CHRISTMAS OPERETTA GIVEN AT ALVARADO SCHOOL

ALVARADO—The only Christmas operetta in the township was given at the Alvarado Grammar School last night. "Sit Down Strike in Santaville" was the title of the production.

Those taking lead parts were Joe Brune, Santa Claus; Anita Cabarran, Mrs. Santa Claus; Ruth Ziegler, Spirit of Christmas; Marvin Mattos, chief cook; Ernest Machado, working man; Eleanor Silva and Mildred Martin, working women; Walter Fasolis, postman; Sally Cardoba and Norma Betten-court, soloists.

Miss Jessica Wiley, WPA instructor, had charge of the dancing. A large crowd of parents and friends witnessed the performance.

JUNIOR CHAMBER NOMINATES OFFICERS AT NEXT SESSION

IRVINGTON — Nomination of officers will take place at the next meeting of the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Irvington on Monday night, Jan. 9. No meetings will be held during the holidays. It was decided at Monday night's gathering.

Secretary Vernon Leal and Edward L. Rose were appointed by President J. R. Silveria to outline a history of the chamber during its three years as an organization.

The following committee was appointed to arrange for the lighting of the municipal Christmas tree in the town park: J. R. Silveria, Wayne Day, Leonard Freitas and Vernon Leal.

Capacity Audience Shares Program For Cubs And Fathers

NILES—Cubs and fathers were entertained by the Parent-Teacher Association of the Niles Grammar School at the school Tuesday night. A capacity audience was present for the program and refreshments which were served at the close of the meeting.

The meeting opened with a salute to the flag lead by the Boy Scouts and Cubs. Mrs. Anthony Taylor, president of Phoebe Hearst Council read the collect and a short talk was made by Principal E. D. Bristow.

The unit donated \$5 to be used to buy gifts for the Junior Traffic Patrol to be distributed at the Christmas party at Pleasanton tomorrow night and Mrs. Reginald Calhoun, president appointed Mrs. Lewis Lewis, Mrs. Dick Attinger and Mrs. W. T. Lindsay to do the buying.

Announcement of a parental education class to start in January was made. Classes will meet at the school during the afternoon and all interested are asked to register at the school office. A citizenship class will also be started if an enrollment of 18 can be secured.

Mrs. C. N. Myrick was chairman of the program which included numbers by the Cubs. A boxing match by Tony Lucas and Joe Mendonca furnished considerable merriment and a demonstration of games played at Cub meetings was given. The Cub flag was presented by Mrs. Calhoun as a gift from the P. T. A., the sponsoring body, and was accepted by Bruce Roeding.

A play given by the eighth grade class under the direction of Miss Celeste Bunker included Loretta Lewis, Frank Perez, Kenneth Calhoun, Robert Bunting, Tommy Champion, Juanita Galvin, Avis Alberg, Margaret Kerns, Andrew Lindsay, Marjorie Brunelli, Dorothy Fae Franklin and Arlene Reed.

FARM CENTER PLANS BUSINESS SESSION AND YULE PROGRAM

CENTERVILLE — The annual Christmas meeting of the Washington-Eden Farm Center will be held at the Washington Union High School gymnasium on Tuesday night, beginning at 7:30 p. m.

The program is being arranged by Manuel Almeida and Mrs. Geraldine Rogers and will include music by a girls' orchestra, motion pictures and other numbers. Families of all members are invited and refreshments will be served at the close of the meeting. Santa Claus will be present with gifts for the children. There will be a short business session preceding the social part of the affair.

ELDERLY RANCHER IS LAID AT REST

MISSION SAN JOSE — Henry Ladiges, 80, rancher at Mission San Jose for the past 40 years, was given final rites at the Berge Mortuary at Irvington Tuesday morning with mass and interment at Mission San Jose.

He was a native of Germany and passed away at his home after a year's illness. He is survived by his daughter, Lillian, of Mission San Jose.

Warm Springs And Canyon Roads Are In Highway Budget

NILES—The State Chamber of Commerce Central Coast Highway committee has recommended to the State Highway Commission the expenditure of \$500,000 on the realignment of the Niles Canyon highway and improvement of the Niles-Warm Springs highway, according to a letter read at Monday's meeting of the Niles Chamber of Commerce.

The letter said the recommendations had met with the approval of the board of directors of the state chamber and had the backing of all sections of the state. The two projects would have \$250,000 each, according to the recommendations. The program was suggested for the 1939-1941 biennial state highway budget.

Secretary A. J. Petsche was instructed to arrange for the lighting of the community Christmas tree at the fire hall.

The secretary was also instructed to write to Supervisor George Hellwig regarding a white line to be painted in the center of First Street as an added traffic safety precaution. Need of the line on foggy nights was pointed out by several members.

Next Monday's luncheon will be the last until Jan. 9, as Dec. 26 and Jan. 2, are both legal holidays.

Two other items included in the recommendations of the State Chamber of Commerce for the 1939-1941 highway budget were extension of Eastshore Highway from Fallon Street to 50th ave., the State's share to be \$1,000,000 and the widening of the highway from Greenville to Livermore, \$75,000.

REBEKAH LODGE HOST TO CHILDREN

NILES — The Niles Rebekah Lodge will hold its next meeting tonight at the Odd Fellows Hall. After the business meeting there will be a Christmas party for the children and grandchildren of the Rebekahs.

Mrs. Mary Barnard is chairman of arrangements and is being assisted by Jessie Hockinson, Marie Vervais, Lillie Butterfield and Martha Crane. The refreshment committee consists of Annabelle McGraw, Fern Mitte, Elizabeth Mendenhall and Jennie Mohn.

GETS GOOD BERTH WITH GOVERNMENT

NILES—William Booras has received word of his appointment to the Mare Island Navy Yard for his first year apprenticeship as pattern maker. He will start his four years of schooling on Jan. 9. Booras is 19 years of age and is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Booras of Niles. He was born here.

New Officers For Masonic Lodge Are Seated On Saturday

CENTERVILLE—More than 100 members and guests attended the 75th annual installation of officers of the Alameda Lodge No. 167, F. & A. M., at the Masonic Hall at Centerville last Saturday night. Charles I. Burch, retiring master, was installing officer and Frank G. Evans, past master, was master of ceremonies.

Vocal solos given in connection with the installation were by George Hunter and Muriel Nelson. Following the installation there was a reception during which refreshments were served.

Officials seated were Arthur Biddle, worshipful master; Harold Houghton, senior warden; Frederick W. Montell, junior warden; Edwin A. Richmond, past master, treasurer; Hugh M. Kibby, P. M., secretary; Frank G. Evans, P. M., chaplain; Charles I. Burch, P. M., marshal; J. V. Gould, senior deacon; Warren Gravestock, junior deacon; Ralph A. Richmond, senior steward; Ramon Barnum, junior steward; T. J. Nordvik, organist; William J. Gould, tyler.

NATIONAL AFFAIRS

Reviewed by
CARTER FIELD

So-called yardstick becomes a straw man in joint senate-house investigation of TVA . . . How government can sell electricity cheaper than private concerns explained . . . Appointments present tough problem to President.

WASHINGTON.—One of the most extraordinary developments of any congressional inquiry in the memory of the oldest inhabitants is what the joint senate-house committee investigating the Tennessee Valley Authority is doing with regard to the so-called yardstick.

The point is that the committee has heard testimony for days running about the yardstick. Experts for the utilities have occupied days of the committee's time attacking the concept, seeking to prove that it is unfair, that it has no relation to what it is really supposed to be. The committee counsel, Francis Biddle, has spent endless effort trying to knock down the contentions of these experts, with some assistance from several of the Democratic members of the committee.

Which would be all right except for one little thing. What is happening is that a straw man has been erected, and everybody is acting as though he were real. The experts for the utilities are attacking the straw man and trying to knock him over. Biddle and the Democrats are also acting as though the straw man were the sacred ark of the covenant and trying to prevent a single dent or singe.

What is this straw man? It is the concept of the TVA yardstick that the public in general, and congress in particular, held up to last summer. It was the idea that the TVA was going to determine, by actual operation, what electric rates should be, what prices would be fair, and what prices extortionate. This yardstick was to be held up to the country, with the general idea that the public would then know whether, in any particular community, it was being treated fairly by its utility company.

But that concept was thrown to the winds last summer at Knoxville by no less an authority than David E. Lillenthal, who is the most powerful of the two remaining Tennessee Valley Authority commissioners.

Tells How Government Can Undersell Private Firms

Lillenthal was on the stand before this same committee. He was asked by Rep. Charles A. Wolverton what it was that enabled a government operation to sell electricity more cheaply than a privately owned one.

Lillenthal frankly stated, with no hesitation at all, what these elements were. One was the government could borrow money for 2 per cent, whereas private capital had to pay much more. He pointed out that in the production of electricity from water power the chief element of cost is interest on the investment, the cost of the dam, the land for the reservoir, the dynamo, the power transmission lines, etc.

Another element which made government costs cheaper, he pointed out, was that when the government built a dam it could charge off a considerable fraction of the cost to flood control and navigation, whereas a private company had no way of being able to cash in on such benefits, even if they were admitted.

Still a third element, he admitted, was the difference in taxes. In some surprise, Sen. Harry H. Schwartz, one of the Democratic members of the committee, asked Lillenthal what, in view of what Lillenthal had just said, became of the yardstick. Lillenthal hesitated for a moment, and then asked the committee's permission to take some time in carefully writing out his answer. He would like to produce a definition of the yardstick, he said, which would be right, and could not be attacked.

Problem in Appointments Faces President Roosevelt

President Roosevelt faces a real problem on his approaching Supreme court and department of justice appointments. As a matter of fact the dilemma extends generally to recruiting for all New Deal officials, in such cases as appointments require confirmation by the senate before the officials can take office.

The senate is feeling its oats. It is returning from the country anti-C. I. O., anti-sit-down strikes, anti-Corcoran and Cohen, and, for the first time, not afraid of what the President might be able to do to punish recalcitrants.

So far as the attorney generalship is concerned, the President's problem is complicated by geography. His real choice for attorney

general to succeed Homer S. Cummings is Robert H. Jackson. But Jackson is from New York state, and the Empire state already has three cabinet members—Henry Morgenthau Jr., James A. Farley and Miss Frances Perkins.

The once very imminent prospect that Farley would leave the cabinet has been almost eliminated. The Roosevelt "recession" nipped one very good chance for Big Jim to get out and make some money for his family. While waiting for something else to turn up Jim, through a ghost writer, put out his book, which netted him \$75,000, according to reliable reports.

Now \$75,000 is not much of a capital if a man contemplates retiring and living on the interest, but it is a nice piece of change if one has a regular job paying \$15,000 a year. So Jim's financial worries are over for the time being. He need not look around for a business job.

Morgenthau and Miss Perkins Love Their Work

The other two New Yorkers, Miss Perkins and Henry Morgenthau Jr. could not be pried loose from their jobs. In the first place, they love their work. In the second place, they love the glory of it, the social prestige, in fact everything about it. In the case of Morgenthau, Roosevelt would be genuinely sorry to lose him anyhow. The President does not regard Morgenthau as a Bernard M. Baruch, and he knows that "Henry" is stubbornly committed to a lot of ideas at wide variance from New Deal economics. But he knows also that no one could be more faithful to him than Morgenthau.

Miss Perkins is sometimes a worry to the President. She is doing better now, but for a time she could not have stirred up more trouble for the White House on Capitol Hill, if that had been her particular objective—simply because she rubbed the fur of senators and important representatives the wrong way. But Miss Perkins also is known for her utter loyalty, and she has the enthusiastic backing of Mrs. Roosevelt.

In addition, her leaving the cabinet would open up a real problem, unless the President were to appoint Edward F. McGrady, the only known person who could be appointed Secretary of Labor without starting something approaching a civil war between the A. F. of L. and C. I. O.

Not Easy to Find a Man Big Enough for the Job

New Dealers generally, admitting that the fact there are now three cabinet members from New York, which eliminates Robert H. Jackson as a serious contender for the attorney generalship, are predicting that Gov. Frank Murphy of Michigan will be appointed.

No one can be sure what the President will do, especially as it is not an easy task he has to pick out a man who will seem to the country big enough for the job, and yet be a militant New Dealer—especially as the department of justice is one place where it is extremely important, from the White House standpoint, to have a 100 per cent New Dealer. As a matter of fact, Homer S. Cummings had certain failings, from the New Deal standpoint, because every now and then he would have a conservative reaction.

So Murphy, once Jackson is passed over, would seem a "natural" for the attorney generalship. But to appoint him would be to provoke a new White House versus senate battle, which would approach the Supreme court enlargement fight in bitterness and popular interest. Moreover, the President would be committing himself in advance, in this battle, to the side which, if one is to accept the political verdict on Capitol Hill, is unpopular.

It is generally agreed among politicians here that the biggest surprise of this year's primaries and elections was the reaction of the voters to C. I. O. and the sit-down strike. The first important manifestation was the Texas primary. It cropped out in various other primaries, but then the verdict became confused with the Ohio primary, where C. I. O.'s most hated governor, Martin L. Davey, was defeated.

Sit-Down Strike Victories Turned Into Defeats

The confusion was complicated by the fact that Gov. Charles H. Martin was defeated in Oregon, and a vigorous fight by C. I. O., and blasts by Secretary Harold L. Ickes. But the election changed the impression given by the Oregon and Ohio primaries. Sit-down strike political victories, as the primaries had been regarded, were turned into bitter defeats by the overwhelming triumph of the Republicans in these two gubernatorial battles.

This, added to the impressive failure of the C. I. O. to roll up big majorities in Detroit and Flint when Governor Murphy was being moved down by the Michigan voters, drove most politicians to agree that Vice President John Nance Garner was everlastingly right when he denounced the sympathetic attitude of the administration towards sit-down strikes as bad politics.

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White House Shares Yule Spirit

WASHINGTON.—The holiday atmosphere that grips America each December also finds its way to the White House, home of our chief executives for nearly 140 years and scene of many a colorful Yuletide party in bygone years.

White House history is rich with anecdotes of such gatherings since the building was occupied by the country's second chief executive, John Adams. For his granddaughter, four-year-old Suzannah, President Adams gave the first Christmas party ever held in the White House. Those were the days before the mansion was finished, when Mrs. Adams is said to have hung out her wash in the great East room.

Suzannah's party was a success but one of her guests broke a doll dish belonging to the little hostess. Suzannah retaliated by biting off the nose of the young guest's new wax doll. President Adams had to resort to diplomacy.

Jefferson Played Violin.

Christmas has always aided chief executives in discarding their dignity for a brief return to the simplicity of their childhood days. It was the widower President Jefferson who played the violin for his young guests, and the aged Andrew Jackson threw wide the White House doors to hundreds of orphans who listened to the President himself tell them wild tales of Indian wars.

Dolly Madison, most famous White House hostess in history, was in charge of President Jefferson's party in 1805 when nearly 100 guests were present. Mrs. Madison also served as hostess at 13 other Christmas dinners in the White House during the two terms each of Jefferson and her own husband, James Madison. Once the Madisons had to flee from the mansion when the British invaded Washington in 1812.

Jackson's party for the orphans was inspired by his own sad boyhood. At his party Santa Claus came to the White House as usual, leaving many gifts for the homeless



Entrance to the White House at Washington as it appears each year during the Christmas season.

youngsters. Jackson himself found a cornucopia and warm carpet slippers in his bulging stocking.

Jackson in Snow Fight.

"Old Hickory" is said to have participated in a snowball fight at the party, aided by Vice President Martin Van Buren. As his little guests scattered over the moonlit White House lawn he turned to a friend and said:

"They remind me of the one who came to the knees of Jesus, and of whom He said, 'Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of Heaven.'"

In modern times much more ceremony has been attached to official Washington's celebration of the Yuletide. Each year the chief executive radios holiday greetings to American soldiers, sailors, marines

and diplomatic representatives throughout the world. His most important official duty is a Christmas eve address to the nation, a custom that has probably become permanent.

The nation's "official" Christmas tree in Washington is lighted annually by the President as he participates in colorful ceremonies broadcast throughout the country. During the past decade and a half, four Presidents have used the same switch box for this purpose. Last year a new silver plate was attached to the box bearing the names of these men.

Another recent innovation at the ceremony is the use of a four-toned chime to signal the lighting of the tree. The chimes ring out as the President presses the button lighting the tree, broadcast as a signal to millions of listening Americans.

While Shepherds Watched



A photographic reproduction of the famous Christmas painting, "The Nativity," by Carl Mueller, noted German artist. The painting, depicting the birth of Christ, was executed in Dusseldorf in 1885 and was first published in the United States in 1936.

AMAZED SANTA CLAUS FINDS 33 STOCKINGS IN MARYLAND HOME!

LEONARDTOWN, MD.—No less than 33 stockings are hung by the chimney with care each Christmas eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Sterling here.

The couple has 17 children, who with the grandchildren and in-laws add up to the grand total of 33. Santa Claus can hardly see the fireplace for the stockings when he slides down the chimney. But he never fails to fill them all. In the years since he started visiting the Sterling home, Santa has found that another called, the stork, also has the Sterling address in his book.

Each year there has been a "new addition" to the Sterling household, or in the homes of their children. As Santa's burden has become greater he has cheerfully risen to the needs and found plenty of toys and other "goodies" to go around. But he has to replenish his supply after each visit to the Sterling home.

Late Yuletide Observed By Orthodox Christians

Conforming to the Julian calendar, thousands of Americans will not celebrate Christmas until January 7, 14 days behind the Gregorian calendar. These people are Russians, Serbians, Armenians, Bulgarians, Syrians and Macedonians—followers of the Christian Orthodox church. Greeks and Rumanians, also of the Orthodox church, mark Christmas on the Gregorian calendar but adhere to the Julian calendar in observance of Easter Sunday.

Who Hasn't?

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a good boy, at least I think I am.
My name is Herman.
I like a scooter, a book and a watch.
Love Herman

Each Christmas season hundreds of plaintive notes to Santa Claus, like the above, find their way to the Post Office department's dead letter office. Others reach the town of Santa Claus, Ind.

Railway Station Carols Make Travelers Relax

In metropolitan railroad stations throughout the country this Holiday season, hurried travelers will halt to the strains of Christmas carols echoing from lofty ceilings and long corridors. Originally adopted several years ago in New York, the idea has spread each December to more cities until railroad station music has become a tradition.

The concerts were started because railroad officials decided "everyone was in too much of a hurry" around Christmas time, and that if people could relax before starting their homeward journey they would have a better time.

HEALTH

• Science divides insomnia into three types; suggests ways to induce sleep.

—By Dr. James W. Barton—

THERE is always something wrong when an individual cannot sleep. The cause is either physical or mental. There are the three types of insomnia or sleeplessness, (a) delayed sleep where there is difficulty getting off to sleep, (b) "light" sleep where the patient falls off to sleep when he lies down at night but wakes during the night, usually 2 to 3 o'clock; and (c) "curtailed" or shortened period of sleep, that is awakening during the early morning hours and being unable to go to sleep again.

In the treatment of insomnia, Dr. Henry Cohen, Liverpool, in the Practitioner, London, says:

"All physical or mental discomforts, disturbances in the home or neighborhood, all infections with their poisons must be remedied. A comfortable bed, equable temperature, regulation of habits, relaxation of body and mind, with a frank discussion of anxieties may be sufficient. If this is not sufficient it may be necessary to use other methods.

"Drugs are valuable if used intelligently. Dangers arise, however, because of forming the drug habit or because the drugs may depress the vital functions or actually poison some organs.

Massage Often Helpful. "Physio-therapy—massage, electricity, baths—is often useful. With mild insomnia, especially with anxiety, soothing massage to the head and neck will often induce sleep. Lukewarm baths of 20 minutes followed by a warm drink induces a relaxation which promotes sleep."

Often the awakening at 2 to 3 a. m. is due to eating too much food or too much starch and fat food at the evening meal, as the liver is at the peak or height of its work eight hours after a meal. By eating a small meal in the evening or eating less fat and starch at the evening meal, this awakening at 2 to 3 a. m. may be avoided.

"Psychotherapy—treating the patient through his mind—plays a big part in all measures to overcome insomnia. Sympathetic reassurance and understanding, frank discussion of all troubles or anxieties, all help. Simple measures must be prescribed by the physician with confident assurance of good results."

The lesson for those afflicted with insomnia is to get rid of physical discomforts and infections, eat less at the evening meal and gradually acquire the ability to face or handle their anxieties.

Diet Important in Treating Acne

As acne (pimples) in most cases first appears during the 'teen age, most physicians are inclined to do little for the patient as they feel that the pimples will pass away once the boy or girl has emerged into manhood or womanhood. And, as a matter of fact, most cases do clear up to a considerable extent by the age of 20.

However, there are many who suffer so much distress and embarrassment because of acne that physicians are trying to correct the condition by use of gland extracts (pituitary, insulin, testicular, ovarian and others), viosterol, diet and X-ray.

That the acne patient should be treated in a general way, not just for the local condition of the face, is suggested by Dr. L. Orecklin, in Medical World.

"The general condition of the acne patient should be studied and anemia, undernourishment and points of infection should receive proper care. The diet should be moderate, the foods to be avoided being chocolate, cocoa, cheese, nuts, iodized salt and other foods which may cause irritation or indigestion. Constipation should be relieved by diet, not laxatives.

Frequent Washing Helps.

"If the skin is oily, the face may be washed with soap and water several times a day. At night a careful soap and hot water cleansing is performed followed by soaking or basking with hot water for a few minutes. Then a white lotion is applied—a very weak zinc solution."

Doctor Orecklin agrees with most skin specialists that X-ray treatment will help every case, being of special value in the hard, thick or leathery type of acne.

The thought behind the above treatment is the stimulation of the skin and its underlying blood vessels, the avoidance of foods known to react unfavorably on the skin, and the taking of exercise which keeps the intestine active, burns up excess wastes, strengthens the circulation of the blood, and calls for more oxygen to purify the blood.

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The oldest known European dye was made from the herbaceous plant, Reseda luteola, commonly called "weld." The name weld probably came from the old German word Walda from which the French word gaud was derived—the source of our own word "gaudy." To produce the popular gaud green of that day, the material to be dyed was first dipped in indigo and then in weld.

Pratt's Rocks in New York State

Pratt's Rocks at Prattville, N. Y., were named for Col. Zadock Pratt, who founded and owned a large part of Prattville. Located in the eastern part of the village, they are high and overhanging and reached by a winding path. Many years ago they were carved with faces, trees and horses and then painted white. The story is that a tramp befriended by Colonel Pratt executed the figures with a hammer and chisel.

Many Flowers Have Rank Odor

Of all the thousands of species of flowers growing throughout the world, more than 90 per cent either have an unpleasant odor or none at all. An outstanding example of an odorless flower is the rose, among whose numerous wild and horticultural varieties 99 per cent are without fragrance, says Collier's Weekly.

Last Glacial Sheet

According to geologists people were known to be living in Europe during the time of the last glacial sheet. They were uncivilized humans of the old Stone age. But no traces have been found in North America of human beings at that time.

Pied-Bill Grebe Quick Mover

The pied-bill grebe is a solitary bird that likes to sit on the water among the reeds, but it is such a quick mover that it can dive beneath the water swiftly enough to dodge gun shot fire.

Why Shoes Squeak

Why some shoes squeak is explained by one research authority in this way: Squeaks in shoes usually are caused by the contact of different layers of leather in the soles rubbing together.

Keith, Gaelic Name

Keith is a Gaelic name meaning "the wind." It was the family name of a long line of Scottish nobles prominent in history for several hundred years, but is now used as a first name as well as a surname.

Enormous Baobab Trees

The enormous baobab trees of Madagascar, are so large that it would take 15 men with outstretched arms to encircle one of them. They line many of the town's streets.

'I Am the State' Saying

King Louis XIV of France, the "Grand Monarch," is credited with the phrase "L'etat c'est moi," or "I am the state."

The Arrowhead Country

The Arrowhead country was under 11 sovereignties before it permanently became a part of the United States.

Frogs Live Lives in Trees

Certain tree-climbing frogs in Africa never descend to the earth.

Bible Weighs Ten Pounds

Printed in 1641 by the Widow van Wouw, of Amsterdam, a family Bible was found among discarded books in the library of Piquetberg, South Africa. It weighs 10 pounds and evidently is the first edition combining the Old and New Testaments.

Highest Peaks in California

The four highest peaks in California are Whitney, 14,495 feet; Williamson, 14,384; Palisade (N) 14,254; White, 14,242.

Dog Saves Farmer

From Bull's Attack
BROCKVILLE, ONT.—A dog saved Fred Kerr from being trampled to death by a bull. Kerr was leading the bull to drink when it attacked him and threw him down. The bull was about to trample him when the dog distracted its attention. As the dog kept worrying the bull, Kerr rolled along the ground to safety.

FARMER GOES BROKE AND NAMES WOMAN

Declares She Put Curse on Him 19 Years Ago.

DUBLIN. — A once prosperous West of Ireland farmer, Richard Smyth, 59 years old, of Ballsbridge, blames his bad luck on a woman. He says she laid a curse on him 19 years ago.

Ever since he has felt himself dogged by ill luck, he declares. Nothing he has tried has succeeded. The curse, he insists, has cost him \$50,000, forced him to sell his farm and go to Dublin to live with friends. The woman died seven years ago.

Smyth and the woman lived on neighboring farms. Only a narrow lane separated their lands. "She was 50 years old," he said. "She never liked me, always wanted to get my farm. One day I seemed to have annoyed her. She cursed me, prayed that I would have nothing but bad luck as long as I lived. I had not meant any harm and did not mind her, but that evening I found two of my cattle dead. They kept on dying till they had all gone. Since that day I have had nothing but misfortune."

Smyth is sure his cattle did not die of a disease because veterinary surgeons examined the cattle but could not say what was wrong with them. "I rented other farms later. Everything used to go well for a time, then my cattle used to start dying."

"My crops were unlucky, too. If I had a good crop of corn, bad harvest weather was sure to spoil it. After the woman died Smyth was sure his luck would change, but it did not."

"Things were the same as before," he said. "Everything I tried failed me. Now, instead of having a farm of my own where my wife and I could live I am forced to live with friends."

Thieves Unknowingly Get 'Fatal' Scarab

PORT CHESTER, N. Y.—An ancient Egyptian scarab kept in an isolated spot in the Kendig mansion because its three previous owners had died suddenly has been stolen.

The beetle-shaped gem was stolen some time within the last 10 days in the furnished but unoccupied house owned by the five brothers and sisters of the Kendig family. The stone had been put away by their mother with strict orders to her children and the servants not to touch it. Thus it was left behind when J. R. Kendig, last of the family to live in the house, moved to other quarters some months ago.

The stone, fashioned into a scarf pin, had been worn by three men since it was found by a British mining engineer along the River Nile about 1900. The engineer died within three days after first sticking it into his necktie. His widow gave it to an American railroad official who died a couple of days later. Kendig's father was next to own the gem and he died in a few days.

The widow decided that because of the deaths she would not give the stone away. On her deathbed in 1917 she swore members of the family to keep the strange history of the gem a secret.

Its intrinsic value, police said, is small. The total loot obtained by the thieves amounted to about \$1,000.

Feather-Tosser Woody Tossed Out of Wheat Pit

CHICAGO.—Woody Hockaday was tossed into the county hospital psychopathic ward recently for attempting to spread his feathers on the Chicago Board of Trade wheat pit.

The Kansan, who once showered Secretary of War Harry Woodring with feathers in a campaign for peace and failed in an attempt to reach President Roosevelt with another sackful, ran onto the trading floor shouting: "1.50 wheat or bust."

The trading floor is limited to brokers. Guards seized him, and an unstrung basket of feathers, at the first outcry.

Fawn Chews Tobacco; But It Must Be Fine Cut

SWAN CREEK, MAN. — The Erickson family of Swan Creek is not keeping a dog these days. The household has a pet fawn, Patsy. And she is creating nearly as much trouble for the Ericksons and the neighbors as anybody's dog.

Patsy was found last summer, and was so small that she was carried home in a jacket pocket. Since then she's grown considerably.

She now chews tobacco, ascertaining first that it's fine cut. She frequently raids neighborhood gardens.

CONVICT BECOMES WRITER OF TALES ABOUT CRIMINALS

Under Sentence for Murder Man Wins Recognition As an Author.

HUNTSVILLE, TEXAS.—Thomas F. Whiteside, serving a murder sentence in Texas state prison, is gaining recognition as a short story writer.

Two national magazines have accepted recent stories by Whiteside for early publication, prison officials revealed. Several other of his works have been published already, and his earnings from writings within "The Walls" have passed the \$600 mark.

Whiteside, who was sentenced for the "threat" killing of his wife and once was classed as "incorrigible," finds solace during his loneliest hours in the experiences of O. Henry, who at one time was a prisoner, and the great writers of the more distant past who served sentences.

"It's so hard to do anything in stir—I can't put it on paper, the atmosphere is so terrible," Whiteside wrote once. "Stop and think—O. Henry, Cervantes, and all the rest of the glorified ex-cons made good 'after' their release. A man gets plenty of experiences in here, but it's hard to click. Bunyan did it, but he had religion. As for me, I've been roasting on the spit for years and there aren't many angels, I find, who'll moisten your tongue with kindness."

Formerly Houston Attorney. Whiteside formerly was an attorney at Houston.

Shortly after he was "sent up," Whiteside was transferred to Eastham Farm—the "Alcatraz" reserved for incorrigibles from other units of the Texas prison system.

Whiteside first attempted to commit suicide by slashing his throat with the edge of a glass jar.

The baffled prisoner then learned that illiterate prisoners would pay him 15 cents each for letters he could write for them. In one case he wrote 150 letters for an old inmate, to be mailed at weekly intervals. The letters were addressed to the man's daughter, and were so worded that, as the daughter grew older, she finally would understand the disappearance of her father.

His Essay Won Prize.

Whiteside then submitted an essay which won a third prize offered by the National Prison congress. That award brought Whiteside's literary efforts to the attention of Prison System Manager O. J. S. Ellington, who thought the prisoner should be encouraged in his craft.

Whiteside was transferred to Harlem Prison farm at Sugarland, where he was assigned as a teacher and told he could write in his spare time. He wrote for the Prison Echo, publication of the prison system, and, with the aid of prison print shop Supt. S. H. Barnett, wrote a story entitled, "One Minute to Midnight," which he sold to a syndicate. The theme of the short-story was defeat of the criminal.

Within a short time, he also had sold two more stories to the syndicate, two to another syndicate, and an editorial, "Segregation Must Begin in Jail," to a detective story magazine.

Boy's Record as Runaway Piles Up Since Infancy

INDUSTRY, N. Y.—After returning James Rautsaw, 16, from his third escape trip this year, state industrial school authorities agree with the youth's relatives that it is difficult to keep him where he belongs.

Jimmy's record also includes 31 escapes—and apprehensions—in one year while committed to a detention house at Berkshires, Mich., authorities said.

The relatives, who live at near-by Penn Yan, revealed the boy's escapades began when, just out of the toddling age, he ran away on numerous occasions. In the hope that he might be "shamed" into staying home, they dressed him in girl's clothing.

A few hours later he was brought home by a social worker, who reported finding the "little lost girl" plodding along a road several miles from Penn Yan.

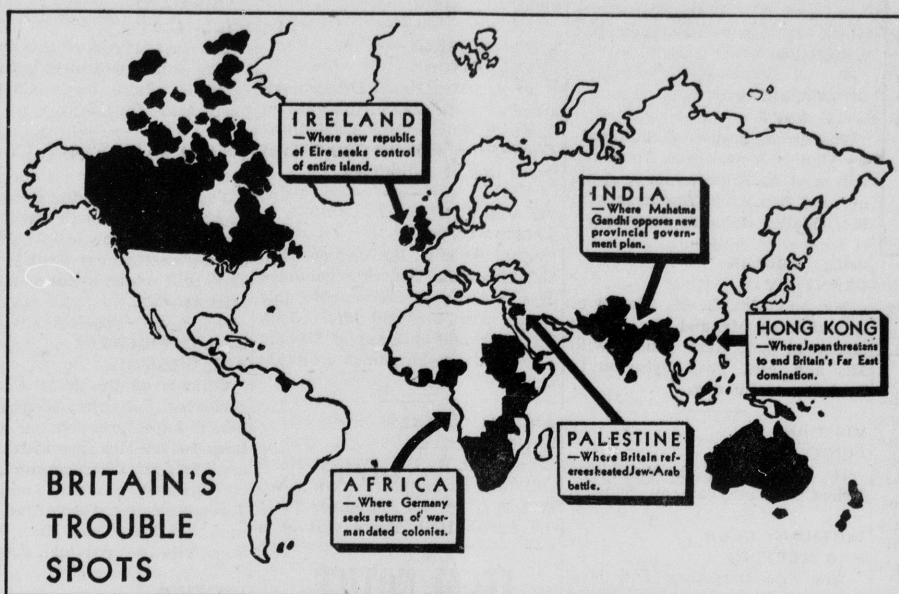
Bottle Note Is Delivered Just 23 Years Too Late

ADELAIDE, AUSTRALIA.—Just 23 years after Lieut. Henry Blunt threw a bottle, containing a message to his fiancée, overboard from a troopship that was carrying him to the World war in 1915, the message was delivered. It was addressed to Miss G. M. Severn, then living in South Australia.

Recently the bottle was washed ashore about 60 miles from Albany. The finder forwarded the message as requested and it was delivered. Blunt in the meantime had married Miss Severn in 1919 upon his return from the war.

Detective Watches Cat. DALLAS, TEXAS.—Assigned to duty at a wedding reception, Detective Vic Register assumed it would be the usual job of safeguarding the gifts. Instead, the hostess asked Register to guard the wedding cake and prevent her pet cat from jumping on it.

British Empire, Beset by Woes, Faces Battle to Retain Position



Five Trouble Spots Draw London's Attention in Desperate Effort to Appease Dictators and Still Maintain World Supremacy

By JOSEPH W. LABINE

Every world empire in history has eventually been threatened by disintegration. It happened to Alexander the Great, to Rome and to Spain. Today it is happening to Great Britain.

Obviously any alliance of world powers like that of Germany, Italy and Japan must run smack-bang into conflict with the far-flung British Empire, whose tentacles reach from London into every cranny of the globe. Such is the case in China, Africa and Palestine.

Moreover the United Kingdom now hears demands for independence from her colonies, who no longer cringe in fear of the shaggy lion. Once vassal-like possessions have grown up and learned to assert themselves. Two examples are Eire, which has already won a large measure of freedom, and India, the world's No. 1 problem child.

This Twentieth century territorial octopus springs from a seafaring mother country, whose sons went forth to trade and came home with an amazing empire. Mostly they acquired it not by aggression, but by just happening to be handy when it fell into their hands. Importance of Navy Wanes. The United Kingdom is held together by no stronger a cohesive force than some 3,000 commercial ships and the world's largest navy, but this has been enough to make Great Britain a referee of international affairs. In such a position she has sometimes been strong and aggressive, but her star may now be dimming. Since 1933 she has suffered a steady series of diplomatic defeats to appease Germany, Italy and Japan, rather than face the stark realities of the situation and stand her ground firmly. This is the traditional British way of doing things, a trait personified by Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain.

The United Kingdom now faces trouble at five vital spots. None is more important than Hongkong, which for 90 years has been the base of Britain's economic operations in the Far East. During that period one-fourth of all China's foreign trade found inlet and outlet through the tiny island port which lies a scant 30 miles from Chinese Canton. From here to the interior runs the Canton-Kowloon railroad, jointly owned by the British and Chinese.

Started With Manchukuo. Britain's economic grip on China was first threatened in 1931 when Japan began her two-year battle to capture Manchukuo. In 1936 the danger became more acute when Japan turned to Shanghai, for years the base of British trade in northern China. Though the tremendous important Yangtze river was subsequently closed, Britain's trade remained substantially safe until a few weeks ago when Japan suddenly captured Canton and severed the Canton-Kowloon railroad.

Although Hongkong has been made impregnable against possible Japanese invasion, these precautions seem pointless in view of the city's death as a trading center.

As a ruler of Moslems in Palestine and elsewhere, Britain is thereby cutting her own throat. But her primary interest in Palestine is not Arabs or Jews but rather the Holy Land's strategic importance as a connecting link between her empires to the west and the east. It lies along vital air and sea routes which she must preserve.

Indian Question Unsolved. Trouble spot No. 4 is India, little mentioned in today's headlines because nationalistic outbreaks are all too commonplace in this richest of all lands. India offers the United Kingdom no immediate threat to her empire security, yet it is an ugly sore that adds to the whole of London's embarrassment.

India contains one-fifth of the world's population, represents every religious and political creed, and is a mixture of at least 20 races that speak some 220 languages and dialects. It is obviously impossible to satisfy such a people, nor is the new "home rule" constitution a very far-reaching attempt to satisfy them. Under it, all real power is vested in British provincial governors who can veto what few actions the legislatures are empowered to take. Moreover they rule by decrees when legislatures are not sitting and can disband the sessions at will.

Although Mahatma Gandhi is no longer a leading force in Indian nationalization agitation, he has been succeeded by an equally strong chieftain, Jawaharlal Nehru, who is leading the battle to have the constitution abolished. Difficult though Britain's position may be, it is to be deplored that she has not made a more aggressive attempt to make peace in India. This responsibility is especially incumbent in view of the pot of gold that the empire has discovered in India. Since 1600 Britain has waxed rich in the Indian trade. Today the country is England's best customer, buying one-tenth of all her manufactured exports. Out of each dollar in revenue collected by the Indian government, 27 cents is spent in England, although England contributes less than 2 cents.

Eire Seeks Plebiscite. The final trouble spot is Eire, just across the Irish channel from England proper. At the end of this year Great Britain will lose its last shred of control over the largest part of Ireland, which has an area about the size of Massachusetts and New Hampshire. Under Eamon de Valera, the southern portion of the island has waged a successful battle for nationalization and is now attempting to increase its sway by taking possession of Ulster. This latest development follows Mr. Chamberlain's pronouncement in favor of "self-determination" for European minorities. He was immediately pounced upon by Mr. De Valera, who said that self-determination should also hold good for Ireland.

If he has his way, Mr. De Valera will conduct a plebiscite in Ulster. Four of the six counties, almost entirely Protestant, will probably vote to join with Catholic Eire, the once-pronounced religious difference being forgotten under pressure of Eire's economic grasp on the island.

Such is the string of Great Britain's troubles and liabilities across the empire on which, it was once boasted, the sun never sets. If Mr. Chamberlain's policy of dictator appeasement is continued, observers believed these liabilities will indeed be lessened, that the empire will begin a steady process of internal decay in which one collapse will follow another. Offsetting this fear is the growing English opinion against Chamberlain conservatism, a movement which found expression last year in the anti-dictator policy of Anthony Eden, former secretary of state for foreign affairs. Mr. Eden is back in private life now, but repercussions against Mr. Chamberlain's "peace" of Munich are mounting every week and many Englishmen see hope for a new government with a stronger chin.

Western Newspaper Union.

WANTED: A LEADER— Britain's old school of diplomacy finds a voice in Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain (left), champion of the current appeasement policy. This program is opposed by followers of Anthony Eden (right), former secretary of state in charge of foreign affairs, who will have no truck with dictators.

Fragile Look Fostered by New Coiffure

By PATRICIA LINDSAY

ARTISTS and poets have raved about the lovely nape of a woman's neck since time began. It is supposed to be one of our most alluring feminine charms! And because fashion repeats itself, napes of necks are bare again, as those new and exciting, brush-the-hair-high coiffures are here for a long stay!

Such a hair-do is gloriously feminine. It has a way of making a woman or a girl more fragile. You know—looking as if she might not be able to take a severe scolding! And that's always a help!

Dame fashion has a way of keeping us on our toes. We can never quite sit back and say, "I'm all



Take an honest look at that back hairline.

settled for the next year!" For instance, two things will concern the woman who decides to make this change in her hair style—How to keep the back hair-line trim and appealing, and how to make her hair stay up just after she has trained it into a long page-boy bob!

Take an honest look at that back hairline of yours after you have combed and brushed your hair high on your head. Not very beautiful, is it? What can you expect if you have allowed hair dressers or barbers to hack away at it for years? But you've got to groom it into a smooth even line and train the hair to grow softly and naturally upward. For a time you may use a tiny barrette or small hairpin to keep it up, but by late fall it should stay of its own accord.

How to Train Straggly Hairs

Each day brush those harsh straggly hairs upward by letting your head hang down and brush toward the crown of your head. If you are not going to business, knot it high in a roll, pin up the ends, and tie a bandanna around it. That holds it in place.

Each night before going to bed apply a scalp pomade or a good hair tonic along the hairline. Gently massage it. The rich lubricant will not only feed the starving tissue but the rubbing will stimulate growth.

Don't have your hair cut again—just let it grow. Later on you may have it shaped, once you determine which high style you will wear. Or you may just twist your long hair into becoming puffs on top of your head. Many girls are letting their hair grow long.

As your hairline grows, attempt to keep it curled for gala nights with very small curlers, the iron, or by twisting it on hairpins. We will all have to go through the growing pains unless we have been wise enough to keep our hairline unclipped. During the heart-breaking stage you might pin false curls over the ragged ends.

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HINT-OF-THE-DAY

Cologne Is Feminine Necessity
Cologne is an extremely refreshing body rub and is also a luxurious body deodorant. You will find that an after-bath rubdown of cologne before going to bed will leave a lovely fragrance clinging to your sheets in the morning. This makes for the kind of daintiness that lovely women seek—a faint fragrance that seems to be a part of their personality, exuding from them as they move and breathe.

A good brand of cologne, one with a distinctive personality, in its fragrance, should be used. It should hint at lightheartedness, glitter and gaiety.

Cologne, by the way, makes a splendid gift, and for this purpose several brands are available in unique bottles as an adornment to the dressing table.

Stone Age Safety-Pins
Many housewives have blessed that simple yet ingenious boon, the common safety-pin. It was invented early in the last century. But was it? Actually, says London Tit-Bits magazine, it was re-invented—for research in the earthworks of prehistoric peoples has brought to light the modern safety-pin whose usefulness had to disappear for thousands of years before the same idea occurred again to another human brain.

Elephants' Bones Seldom Found
It is estimated that about 2,000 elephants die each year in Africa, yet their bodies or bones are seldom found. Nobody has found out where the elephants go to die. There is a theory that they have an undiscovered "elephants' cemetery," but this is very unlikely. The most feasible theory seems to be that they crave water to drink when sick, go to the nearest river or swamp and become mired in the mud. If this is true, says Pearson's London Weekly, there should be some great stores of ivory on the bottoms of Africa's rivers and swamps after all these centuries.

Ship Island, Military Post
Ship Island in Mississippi was reserved for military purposes by the executive order of August 30, 1847. In 1861 the island was occupied by Confederate troops. In September, 1861, the United States naval forces took possession of the island. The present works on the island were commenced in 1862. Ship Island was used as a base for military operations in the Gulf from that time on. It was sold in 1933 to the Joe Graham post, No. 119, of the American Legion.

Meaning of Name Merritt
The name Merritt, of Teutonic origin, means the same as the word merit, "deserving." Merritt Gally (d. 1916) took out more than 400 patents on inventions, many of them connected with printing machinery. He invented the Universal printing press and probably the long, narrow metal tray for holding type, called a galley.

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SANTA STRIKES OIL!

Ever since he was born, Santa has been giving and giving. But to him who waits, all things come. Now the tables have been turned, and at last Santa himself has struck oil—that is, Santa Claus, Indiana, has.

And to all intents and purposes, that little village is the real Kris Kringle to millions of Americans. Getting letters postmarked at Santa Claus, Indiana, approaches the proportions of a national pastime every December. Department stores in some of the larger cities have already set up booths for re-mailing gift packages postmarked with the magic name of Santa Claus. And village Postmaster Oscar Philipps and his assistants are now knee-deep in the flood of Christmastide mail which every season pours into the white-whiskered gentleman's only post-office address.

But this year the town is doubly excited. Oil has been discovered! The rush is on. Claims are being staked out. Rustling promoters are grabbing up leases under each other's nose. Test wells are being put into action, and real estate holders are hoping desperately that Santa will leave black gold in their backyard this year.

Meanwhile, most of the youngsters of this country aren't worrying a bit about whether Santa strikes oil. As long as he strikes their chimney, and makes a happy landing on the hearthplace, that's a merry Christmas to them.

And so say we all!

MOTHERS AND DADS PROVIDE PARTY

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Mr. and Mrs. Blake Hill entertained 12 friends at dinner last Wednesday.

DRAMA SECTION WILL MEET

The drama section of the Country Club of Washington Township will meet on Friday, Jan. 6, at the home of Mrs. C. E. Anderson with Mrs. Walter Robie as chairman.

WILL VISIT IN BERKELEY

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Clough of Oakland and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Anderson will have dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Ford Byington in Berkeley on Sunday.

VISIT IN SUNNYVALE

Dr. and Mrs. W. L. McWhirter visited in Sunnyvale on Sunday.

BIRTHDAY CLUB HAS MEETING

Mrs. Eric Bergstrom and Mrs. Belle Chadbourne were honor guests at a meeting of the Birthday Club at the home of Mrs. Frank T. Dusterberry on Tuesday. Mrs. George Coit was co-hostess.

VISITS AUNT IN CAMPBELL

Mrs. W. L. McWhirter visited her aunt in Campbell on Monday.

OAKLAND GUESTS ENTERTAINED

Mrs. E. M. Grimmer entertained friends from Oakland at luncheon on Monday.

GARDEN CLUB HAS LUNCHEON

Mrs. Martha Phillips, teacher, and members of the Washington Union High School garden class met at luncheon at the high school cafeteria on Monday. The menu was prepared by the cooking classes and table decorations were by the art classes.

FOOTBALL BOYS ENTERTAINED

Eighteen members of the football squad of the Washington Union High School were entertained at a turkey dinner at the home of Al Silva last Friday night.

NATIVE DAUGHTERS TO HAVE PARTY

The Betsy Ross Parlor of Native Daughters will have a Christmas party at Anderson's Hall tonight. The program is being arranged by Evelyn Garcia. There will be an exchange of gifts and refreshments will be served.

SCHOOL TO HAVE HOLIDAY

The Centerville Grammar School will close today for Christmas vacation and will reopen on Tuesday morning, January 3.



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ATTEND LODGE CELEBRATION

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dusterberry attended a meeting of the Pythian Sisters at Loyal Temple Wednesday night in honor of Grand Chief Grace Cox of Sebastopol.

TO VISIT IN SACRAMENTO

Mrs. Fleda O. Bunting and Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Waltenberger have been visiting in Sacramento this week with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Chandler and children of Nevada City for a pre-Christmas celebration.

ANNUAL TURKEY WHIST DEC. 28

The S. P. R. S. I. Council No. 4 will hold its annual Turkey whist at 8:30 p. m. on December 28 at the Parish Hall. There will be a

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Washington Union High School District of Alameda County, California hereby calls for sealed proposals to be delivered to the Clerk of said Board at the office of said Board in the Washington Union High School Building, Centerville, California until Tuesday, the 3rd day of January, 1939, at 8:00 o'clock P. M. at which time and place said bids will be opened for the furnishing of construction materials of the following types:

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These bids shall be presented in accordance with the specifications for said construction materials on file at the office of the Board of Trustees of the Washington Union High School District of Alameda County, Centerville, California.

Bidders may submit bids for furnishing any or all of the above types of construction materials, but must bid on all items included under each type bid upon as provided in the form of proposal hereinafter referred to, unless otherwise specifically provided therein.

These bids must be made on proposals obtained at the office of the Board of Trustees of the Washington Union High School District in the Washington Union High School Building, Centerville, California and must be signed by the bidder, and accompanied by a certified check, certified to by some responsible bank or banker and made payable to the Washington Union High School District of Alameda County, to be retained by said Washington Union High School District of Alameda County as agreed and liquidated damages should the party or parties to whom the contract should be awarded fail to enter into the contract or any bond required by law. The amount of said check shall be for at least ten per cent (10%) of the total amount of the tendered bid.

The Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any and all bids on any or all items of such bids.

By order of the Board of Trustees, December 13, 1938, Centerville, California.

H. F. HARROLD,
Clerk of the Board of Trustees of the Washington Union High School District of Alameda County, California.
(Dec. 16-23)

WATER DISTRICT LAND FOR SALE

Sealed bids are invited for the purchase of approximately 100 acres of land, including a duck pond site, situated at Alvarado, on former site of East Bay Water Company. For information as to acreage to be sold, inquire W. D. Patterson, R. F. D. 14, Newark, or E. A. Richmond, Alvarado. Bids should be addressed to the Board of Directors, Alameda County Water District, Centerville, California, and must be in the hands of the Board not later than 12 o'clock noon, Feb. 4, 1939.

CHRIS RUMMEL,
Secretary, Board of Directors.
(12-16; 1-13)

turkey door prize as well as turkeys and chickens and other prizes. The proceeds will be used toward sending out Christmas baskets to needy families.

LADIES AID WILL MEET

The Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian church will meet with Mrs. Loren Marriott for a Christmas party next Thursday.

YOUNG PEOPLE TO SING CAROLS

Young people of the Centerville Presbyterian church will join others of the township parish in singing carols next Friday night. They will return to the church for refreshments.

C. E. OFFICERS ARE CHOSEN

Officers of the joint Christian Endeavor of the Presbyterian parish have been chosen as follows: Peter Stark, president; Richard Marriott, vice president; Carrie Gronley, secretary and Fred Joyce, treasurer. Committee chairmen are Ruby and Ruth Brown, June Van Ike and John Ziegler.

VISITING IN OREGON

Mrs. Bell is visiting in Oregon and will be away two months.

VISITING IN IOWA

Mrs. Frank Oldfield and children left Saturday for a six weeks' visit in Iowa.

Irvington Items

ON EXTENDED TRIP TO NEW MEXICO

Chris Jorgensen and Berkeley St. John Green motored to Deming, New Mexico, where they plan to stay a week or ten days visiting with Mr. Green's brother, who is the city treasurer.

GREET GRAND PRESIDENT

Those who attended the official visit of the Grand President to the El Cereso Parlor of the Native Daughters in San Leandro from the Betsy Ross Parlor were Carolind Brown, Minnie Castelhana,

Agnes Raymond, Mary F. Silva, Mrs. Raymond, Mrs. Marie Williams, Iva Calderia and Madeline Freitas.

DINNER GUESTS IN SAN JOSE

Mr. and Mrs. Will Benbow and son, Oliver, were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wendal Tully in San Jose on Sunday.

IN STOCKTON OVER CHRISTMAS

Miss Bobbie Foster is spending the Christmas vacation with her sister, Mrs. Frances Thompson and family in Stockton.

SAN FRANCISCO VISITORS SUNDAY

Miss Esther Goularte and Miss Dorothy Mello visited with friends in San Francisco Sunday.

HAVE GUESTS OVER WEEK END

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Connolly and son, John, of Walnut Creek spent the week end with Mr. and

PLAN PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN

Plans have been made by the Parent Teacher Association to have a Christmas party for the children at the Maple Hall Friday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Besides the Christmas tree there will be gifts and candy given to all by Santa Claus.

FISHING AT BAY POINT

Billy Katzer and Lucifer Rose spent Sunday at Bay Point fishing.

Mrs. E. H. Hirsch ENTERTAINED IN SAN FRANCISCO

Mrs. Sturtevant and Mrs. O'Leary spent the week end in San Francisco.

ENJOY BUFFET SUPPER SATURDAY

Mr. and Mrs. William Dargitz were guests at a buffet supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Art Brownley in Oakland Saturday night.

STOCKTON VISITORS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson and sons of Stockton spent the

week end with Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Foster.

BACK FROM HOLLYWOOD TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Graves and family have returned after several days trip to Hollywood.

KNITTING CLUB TO MEET

The Irvington Knitting Club will hold its next meeting at Mrs. Fern Overacker's in Mission San Jose on Wednesday, Dec. 21.

MISS BROWN HAS RECOVERED

Miss Beatrice Brown, who has been confined to her home due to illness for several weeks, is back to work.

YOUNG COUPLE SETTLED IN HOME

After several months Mrs. Walter Roethlin has joined her husband and the young couple are now settled in the M. R. Sousa home.

DANCE TO WAYNE KING

Miss Pearl Silva, Manuel Guardanapo, Vernon Leal, Manuel Silva, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe California attended the dance at Sweet's Ball Room in Oakland with Wayne King entertaining.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. J. A. Marciel was brought home from the Hayward hospital Sunday in the Berge ambulance.

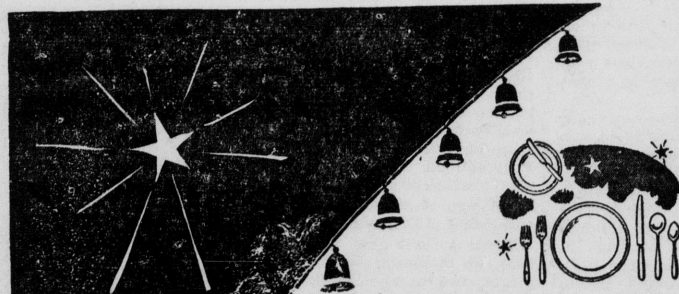
NEWLYWEDS BACK FOR CHRISTMAS

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Pond will return from Santa Monica to have Christmas dinner with their families at the R. L. Pond home.

TOYON BERRIES HOLD SESSION

On Saturday the Toyon Berries met at the home of Rosemary Burke in Mission San Jose. Plans were made for a dance to be given in the near future. The organization offered its services in assisting in the welfare work in the township at Christmas time.

Refreshments served by the hostess were enjoyed.



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Decoto Doings

IMPROVING FROM PNEUMONIA

Henry Andrade, who has been seriously ill at his home here with pneumonia, is reported to be improving.

LOCAL COUPLE WEDS SUNDAY

Miss Jennie Navas and Manuel Boliba, both of Decoto, were united in marriage at a ceremony performed at the Corpus Christi Church at Niles on Sunday afternoon.

FAMILY DINNER ON BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Zwissig celebrated her birthday with a family dinner at her home on Sunday.

SEVERE COLD KEEPS CHILD HOME

Barbara Jean Enos, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Enos, Jr., has been confined to her home for the past week with a severe cold.

GUESTS AT DINNER PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence F. Salz and Mr. and Mrs. Henri E. Salz attended a dinner party in San Francisco on Monday evening.

NEW DAUGHTER IN GARCIA HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Merced Garcia are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a baby girl. The little Miss has been named Elvera.

SMALL SON ILL OF PNEUMONIA

The small son of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Dominguez is confined to the hospital with pneumonia.

GUESTS OF RELATIVES HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Snyder of San Francisco visited at the home of relatives here on Saturday evening.

ATTEND WOMEN'S CLUB SESSION

Mrs. Alwin Searles and Mrs. J. L. Olson attended a meeting of the women's club at Centerville Tuesday afternoon.

STOCKTON MAN VISITS HERE

Arthur Salz of Stockton was a visitor here on Monday.

NATIVE SONS HONOR CHARTER MEMBERS ON ANNIVERSARY

CENTERVILLE — The 48th anniversary of Washington Parlor of Native Sons was celebrated at Centerville Monday night. Four new members were initiated before an assemblage of 60, including several grand officers, and a mid-night supper was served at the Country Club building by ladies of the club.

Honored guests were Frank T. Dusterberry and W. W. Walton, charter members. Distinguished visitors included Grand President Joseph J. McShane of San Francisco, Grand Vice President Edward T. Schnarr of Oakland, Grand Secretary John Regan of San Francisco, Grand Treasurer John Corrado of San Jose, Grand Trustee Lloyd Cosgrove and District Deputies Walter Davis, William Dombrink and Harold Farley of Oakland.

New members initiated were Ed Quaresima and Jack Prouty of Irvington, James Logan of Alvarado and George Azevedo of Centerville. The initiatory team was composed of Judge Allen G. Norris, Tom Silva, Tom Silva, Jr., Max Stevenson, Leonard Lucio, M. P. Mathiesen, F. T. Dusterberry and E. J. Pimentel.

DINNER CELEBRATES CITIZENSHIP

CENTERVILLE — A squash dinner in celebration of the securing of citizenship papers by Fritz Waltenberger of Centerville was given at the home of Mrs. Flea O. Bunting last Friday night.

Mrs. J. C. Shinn, teacher of the citizenship class at the Washington Union High School, and Mr. Shinn; Howard Chadbourne and Forrest Bishop, witnesses for Waltenberger and Mrs. Chadbourne and Mrs. Bishop were also present.

Waltenberger came to Centerville five years ago. He is a native of Germany but has spent many years in England and Holland. For more than 20 years he was connected with the Holland-American Steamship line.

PROGRAM FEATURES BOX SOCIAL GIVEN BY PYTHIAN LODGE

CENTERVILLE — The following took part in the program given at the Country Club building Thursday night in connection with the box social being sponsored by the Knights of Pythias for the benefit of the Christmas party for the Presbyterian Parish Sunday Schools:

Joseph Amaral, master of ceremonies; Phyllis Owens, guitar; Bobby Rogers, saxophone; John Cardozo, harp; Ben Mozzetti and Manuel Santos, accordion; Wesley Nunes, Alvin King, Peter Stark, Phyllis Dias, Paul Manley, solos; Ruth and Ruby Brown, duets; Elaine Justus and Madelon Perry, novelty number; Madelon Perry and Isabel Perry, duet. Bert and Ruth Justus will give a tap dance.

A play presented by the following K. P.'s: Jack DeLuce, Bernard Ashmore, Tony Alameda, Clarence and Z. Springer, Neil Norman, Everett Gaunt, Leonard Whitbeck and Al Cox. Arrangements were made by Frank Oldfield, Harley and Kenneth Tinkham. Box lunches were auctioned by Art Cotton.

SPORTSMEN'S CLUB TO INSTALL JAN. 4

CENTERVILLE — Officers elected last week by the Washington Township Sportsmen's club include Kenneth Ferry, president; Manuel Soito, vice president; Ben Kramer, secretary; Wilbur Bettencourt, treasurer; and Joe Duarte, sergeant at arms. Joe Roderick will install new officers on Wednesday, Jan. 4.

TELEPHONE OFFICIAL AGAIN PROMOTED

M. R. Sullivan, vice president of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, who has been in charge of the management of the Company's affairs in Northern California, has been promoted, his duties being made company-wide. He will also be chief of staff of the first vice president's organization.

Sullivan was born in Oakland and started in the telephone business as a clerk in 1912. He was made vice president and general manager of Northern California in 1934.

A. L. Littig, formerly general traffic manager of the Southern California Telephone Company, Los Angeles, was appointed a vice president and will succeed Sullivan.

Alvarado Shorts

FARM WOMEN IN ALL DAY MEETING

A Christmas party was held by the Farm Department at the home of Mrs. Adeline Santos of Centerville on Wednesday. The meeting began at 10 a. m. and was followed with a pot-luck luncheon.

ODD FELLOWS OF DISTRICT MEET

Odd Fellows and Rebekahs of District No. 36, including Hayward, Livermore, Pleasanton, Alvarado, Irvington and Niles will have a get-together social meeting at Pleasanton tomorrow night. There will be dancing, cards and refreshments. Families of all members are invited and arrangements are being made by George Reinking and Ed Heiser of Hayward, members of Crusade Lodge.

INSTITUTE PLANS PARTY ON DEC. 22

The Alvarado S. P. R. S. I. will give a Christmas party on Dec. 22 at the Odd Fellows Hall for members. Mrs. Edith Mello will have charge.

CARD PARTY AT GRAMMAR SCHOOL

St. Anne's Confraternity gave a card party at the Alvarado Grammar School last Saturday night for the Sisters of the Holy Family. Mrs. Genevieve Dutra had charge.

SCHOOL CHILDREN GIVEN PARTIES

The Parent-Teachers Association of the Alvarado Grammar School had a Christmas party at the school last Thursday afternoon. Gifts were distributed and community singing was lead by Isabel Ferry. Plans were made to entertain the children, jointly with the board of trustees, this afternoon.

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S. P. R. S. I. HAVE XMAS PARTY

The S. P. R. S. I. of Newark held their regular meeting on Thursday evening at Silva's hall. The official grand president was present. After the meeting a Christmas party was held among the members, each one receiving a gift. Refreshments were served.

BUTLER RAPIDLY RECOVERING

George Butler, Newark Merchant, is rapidly recovering after receiving chest injuries, cuts and bruises Monday of last week when his automobile struck a telephone pole near Milpitas.

BOY SCOUTS HOLD MEETINGS

The Boy Scout troop of Newark held the regular meeting on Monday evening at the Grammar School. A patrol meeting was also held last week at the Senior patrol's home.

WOMEN ATTEND BANQUET

Lena Calderia and Emma Dias attended the U. P. E. C. banquet at Centerville on Sunday in honor of the grand president of San Diego.

GROUP AT PALACE HOTEL IN S. F.

Miss Bernice Weber and Karl Nordvik of Newark together with Mr. and Mrs. Hemphill of Hayward spent Saturday evening dinner dancing at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco.

BIRTHDAY PARTY HELD ON MONDAY

A birthday party was held for Mr. Guerraro on Monday evening at his home. The evening was spent in playing games. A dinner was served. Many friends and relatives attended.

COLLINS IN OAKLAND SUNDAY

James Collins spent last Sunday in Oakland at the home of E. L. Collins, where his godchild, Dennis Eugene, was christened.

CIVIC CLUB IS REORGANIZED

The Portuguese-American Civic Club reorganized last Saturday evening at a meeting at Silva's hall, where a dance followed.

BETH LEAVES FOR CANADA

Miss Winnie Bertelson's niece, Beth, left last week for Vancouver, Canada.

WOMEN ATTEND LUNCHEON

Mrs. Newman, Mrs. Zorn and Mrs. J. F. Silva attended a luncheon at Oakland on Wednesday.

MARY BISHOP SICK WITH MUMPS

Mary Lu Bishop has been confined to her bed with mumps.

TAKEN TO JACKSON LAKE HOSPITAL

Mrs. Mary Flaherty was taken to the Jackson Lake Hospital on Monday.

WOMEN IN S. F. ON BUSINESS TRIP

Mrs. Boles and Mrs. Williams spent Monday in San Francisco on a business trip.

PROGRAM AT N. P. C. SUNDAY

A Christmas program will be held at the Newark Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

IMP. CLUB HOLD MEETING

The Women's Improvement Club held their regular meeting on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Dora Fuller. A Christmas party was held after the meeting.

BRIDGE CLUB HOLDS XMAS PARTY

The Newark afternoon bridge club held their Christmas party on Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Dora Fuller.

NEWARK MEMBERS ATTEND DINNER

Many Newark members attended the Native Sons dinner on Monday evening in Centerville.

LADIES AUXILIARY HOLD MEETING

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Newark Fire Department held their meeting on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. A. L. Silva.

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RECOVERING FROM TONSIL OPERATION
Henry Marshall, Jr. is recovering after submitting to a tonsil operation by Dr. Grimmer at Irvington.

SUCCUMBS TO LINGERING ILLNESS

MISSION SAN JOSE—Funeral services were held yesterday for Jack Goularte, barber at Mission San Jose for 28 years, who passed away at his home here after an illness of four years. Mass was said at St. Joseph's church and interment was at St. Joseph's cemetery under the direction of the Berge mortuary.

The deceased was a native of Fayal, the Azores and came to the Mission 34 years ago. He is survived by his widow, Louisa, and a son, Roy. He was 64 years of age.

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CHAPTER VII

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I sat between two Old Masters—on the left of the Duchess of Whelp and the right of the Countess of Brief. Each glowed with the sterling quality of a forgotten age. Lost arts made up their being. Sheer beauty lived with kindness: sheer brilliance beamed with good will. And each admiring the other was thus exalted. Their natural royalty was duly served. Powdered footmen in scarlet livery stood behind every chair: gold plate winked upon the table: the choicest fare was perfectly presented.

And there I will leave an event which neither Herrick nor I will ever forget, for that evening we two hobnobbed with the stuff that queens were made of in olden days.

That Herrick found instant favor, I need not say. Indeed, Old Harry and he were as good as a play, for, as I have said before, his address was beyond compare, and I think that each of them whetted the other's wit.

When dinner was done, Herrick and I were left with orders to "join the ladies" in ten minutes' time: and when that had gone, we were led to a glorious salon, whose sixteenth-century tapestries filled the eye.

Though the evening was warm, a fire of logs had been lighted upon the hearth: before this the Duchess was resting upon a mighty chaise longue, and Elizabeth was standing beside a jamb of the fireplace, one of her beautiful hands on the chiseled stone, regarding the leisurely flicker that hovered above a hillock of rose-gray ash.

As the door closed behind us—"I have ordered your car," said Old Harry, "for half past ten. That gives us just half an hour, which should be enough. I've one or two things to say, and I'll say them first."

"I think we all know where we are and where we shall be next Tuesday at five o'clock. On no account try to conceal that we have already met. That way madness lies. We have all met here tonight—for the very first time. Let no one be ill at ease. Except for Richard Exon, I don't think anyone will."

"Oh, madam," protested Herrick. "Don't interrupt," said Old Harry. "Besides, you'd be at ease with a gaggle of Elders discussing the wrath to come."

I very near laughed and Elizabeth covered her mouth.

"If you feel uneasy, Richard, always remember at once that though Brief is doing the honors, you are Elizabeth's guest. And that, I think, should bring your confidence back. You will take your man, Winter, with you, and I shall take three servants to look after me. One will be Parish—that excellent English page whom you have already seen. Should never arise, we can communicate through them, with all convenience. Tell the police that you have been invited to Brief, as you understand, to meet me. That will set you above all suspicion, such is this snobbish world."

"One thing will have it, Elizabeth's mother's jewels were held by the firm of goldsmiths whom I have always employed. Bauble and Levity—you probably know the name. She has, therefore, written to them to say that by my advice she will have the gems reset and desiring them to be ready with new designs against her coming to London in six weeks' time. That letter will send the ball flying: and since she gave this address, the reply will come to this house and will go on to Brief by hand, in my private bag."

"And now can anyone think of anything else? Because, if they can, let us have it—for better or worse. We shan't see each other again until we strut on to the stage."

There was a little silence.

"Very good," said Old Harry. "And now I want to see Mr. Herrick alone. Take your leave of me, Richard, and then make the best of the terrace, until Mr. Herrick appears. Elizabeth will go with you."

I stepped to her side.

"Madam," I said, "I have much to thank you for."

"I don't know about that. Never mind. I've much enjoyed your visit—and that's a thing I can say to very few guests."

"Thank you, madam." I put her hand to my lips. "I hope you're not very tired."

"Tired be damned," said Old Harry. "I never felt so fit in my life."

"Which is absurd," said I. "She's mad about you."

"My dear, you gave her the lead. I had a claim upon her. How could she fail me, when you, upon whom I had none, had done so much?"

I shook my head.

"You must thank yourself," I said. "I saw you—and that was enough. And as with me, so with her. The king's ring got you inside: but, once you were in—well, supposing you'd asked for the moon, she might have told you off, but when she was through, she'd have sent for a pair of steps."

Elizabeth laughed. Then she slid her arm through mine.

"I wish I was going with you. I've been so happy at Raven: and

with you is to run into debt—your debt. And at once one's instinct is to do what little one can to pay you back."

Elizabeth raised her eyebrows. "I'm afraid you're an idealist, Richard. And that's a mistake, my dear. Red Lead Lane should have shown you . . . But then the complete idealist never learns. If it makes you happy to set me up in a niche, why then you must have your way. I'll smile upon you from there. And sometimes, when you're not looking, I might climb down and be a good-looking girl, with the usual human passions, a weakness for animals and a definite love of dress."

She plucked at her frock. "Can there any good thing come out of Salzburg? My dear, you wait. If you like the look of me now, you'll get up and walk at Brief."

"There spoke Old Harry," said I: "but not Elizabeth."

She whipped her arm out of mine and started aside.

"What ever d'you mean?" I set my hands on her shoulders and turned her round.

"That you are a work of nature and she is a work of art. And you cannot play on her piano, and she cannot play on your pipe. I think you only did it to—make me alter my focus and see that you're not the nonsuch I think you are. But it only upsets me, my lady, and doesn't do any good. I know you've got failings—you must have, because you're of flesh and blood: but you're rather exceptional.—The heaven such grace did lend her, That she might admire be. Well, you must let me admire you in my own way."

"All right," said Elizabeth, meekly. "But don't bring me garlands, Richard. I couldn't bear that."

"You wicked girl. You—"

"That's better. And there's John coming. Say good-by nicely. Quick."

She had put up her beautiful mouth, and I had stooped and kissed it before I knew where I was.

It was half-past one in the morning before we once more approached Raven, and, remembering Old Harry's words, I found myself thanking God that Elizabeth was not with us and would not have to run such a gauntlet again. Thus thinking upon

the matter, I presently grew quite sure that we were to be attacked, and, since I was driving, I made Herrick take my pistol, because, for once in a way, he had left his behind, on the bed, he said.

Our alarms were without foundation. We were not fired upon, and Raven was fast asleep. And since we were very tired, we shared a bottle of beer and stumbled upstairs.

I had put on my pajamas, when Herrick opened my door.

"What d'you make of this?" he said. "The fire-arm has gone."

"Gone?" said I, staring.

"Gone," said Herrick. "As I told you just now, I left it out on the bed. Well, the bed's been made:

so, of course, it had to be moved. But it's not in the room."

"It must be," said I. "You've missed it."

"Come and see," said Herrick, and led the way.

For full five minutes we sought it, and sought it in vain.

At length—"Brenda must have it," said I. "The thing's not here."

"I don't think that's likely," said Herrick, "in view of what Winter said. And yet I can hardly believe that Percy Elbert the Good would steal it away. And tell me another thing. Why do these crises arise, when one is so drunk with sleep that one can hardly stand up?"

With that, he sank heavily down on the foot of his bed.

As he did so, a deafening explosion made me jump out of my skin, and, in one most frantic convulsion, Herrick leapt upward and outward, as though propelled by some spring.

"My God," said I, and ripped the quilt from the bed.

Twelve inches from the foot of the bedstead, a broad-arrow ruck in the blanket declared that below the blanket something had moved.

I turned to Herrick.

"Are you all right?"

His hands clapped fast to his seat—"Well, I'm still the same shape," said Herrick, "if that's what you mean: but you can't sit down on a land-mine and be as good as you were."

Someone was running on the landing.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Hippocrates Was Right on the Theory Of Going to Bed for Treatment of Cold

After 2,400 years of preoccupation with the common cold, the medical profession, as represented by the technicians of the Stillman infirmary at Harvard university, has decided that the best treatment for this universal malady is to go to bed. As this was the treatment favored by Hippocrates, the results of all the scientific experiments which have been conducted since it was first promulgated can be represented by a single zero, comments a St. Louis Dispatch editorial writer.

In the circumstances, afflicted humanity would be acting reasonably if it classified the cold as one of the inescapable phenomena of life and behaved accordingly. After all, though a bed is not the universal refuge it once was, it is not a bad place. Even when the concurrent dreams are troubled, they are no worse than the realities with which the conscious mind has to grapple. Unfortunately, no such easy escape is possible to a civilization which has placed its faith in science. Though the heavens fall and every sin cavity in Christendom be under attack from within and without we will stick to the perpendicular

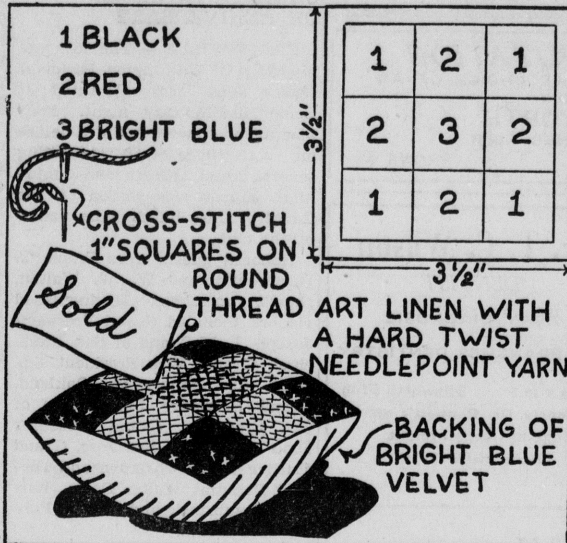
and await the next draft from the laboratory. Brown mixtures, blue mixtures and green mixtures may have failed us; radiology, colored lights, massages, intravenous injections, overfeeding, underfeeding and steam baths may have touched everything but the right spot, but we are still hopeful. Some day the right chemical affinities will find each other and a sovereign remedy will arise from the test tube, like one of the benevolent geni.

Meanwhile, though we sniffle and explode every time there is a change in the weather, we remain loyal to our gods.

Speed of Falling Body
In theory, a falling body increases its speed by 32 feet per second every second it is falling, if the action of gravity is wholly unresisted. Experiments by the United States army air corps have shown, however, that there is a maximum speed attained by an object the size and weight of a human body, on falling from any altitude. This is a velocity of 118 miles an hour, attained after falling 1,200 feet and after 11 seconds of falling.

HOW TO SEW

by Ruth Wyeth Spears



Cross-stitch pincushion a best seller.

THE Town Improvement association was giving a sale to raise funds in a village where we were visiting. Our hostess had been to the sale early in the day and triumphantly displayed tiny cross-stitched pincushions purchased for Christmas gifts. They were so colorful and quaint that we went in search of some. We found them, but on every one was pinned a ticket "SOLD!" The lady had scored a hit who made those little three-inch pincushions as her contribution to the fancywork booth. They were kept for display even after they were sold.

The top of the cushion should be made on tapestry canvas or round thread art linen so that the threads may be counted easily in making the cross-stitches. This foundation material should be marked off in 1-inch squares as shown in the diagram at the upper right. The numbers indicate the color used for cross-stitching each square. The velvet used for backing adds the richness that all small gifts should have. Sawdust or hair from an old mattress are most satisfactory for stuffing.

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A General Quiz

The Questions

1. What does the investment of this country in South America total? In Europe?
2. Which of our states has the greatest seacoast? The smallest?
3. What three American plants are carnivorous?
4. Can you complete this quotation: "The ladder of life is full of splinters, but they always prick the hardest—?"
5. What animal utters no sound at all?
6. Why, according to Tennyson, was the strength of Galahad as that of ten?

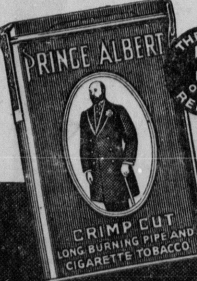
The Answers

1. In South America it totals 2,560 millions. In Europe, 2,372 millions.
2. Greatest, Florida; smallest, New Hampshire.
3. Three American plants that catch and eat insects are the sundew, the pitcher plant and the Venus fly trap.
4. "When we are sliding down."
5. The giraffe.
6. Because his heart was pure.

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Niles Notes

ENTERTAIN AT
BRIDGE DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Martin will entertain 18 at a bridge dinner at their home tomorrow night.

AT SIERRA CLUB
PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Shinn and Mr. and Mrs. George Sladek attended the Christmas party of the Sierra Club at Palo Alto last Saturday night.

SEE MILLS
PAGEANT

Mrs. J. C. Shinn, Miss Anna Milcent Shinn and Mrs. George Sladek attended the Mills Christmas program Sunday night.

DINNER PARTY
AT BLACOW'S

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blacow entertained friends at dinner on Saturday night.

Give her Cara Nome this year. Perfumes, powders and toiletries in special gift boxes. Also sets.—Walton's Pharmacy, Niles.

SHOPPING IN
OAKLAND

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Champion and Tommy were shopping in Oakland on Saturday.

LEAVING FOR
KANSAS CITY

Mrs. Fred Nelson left Wednesday to spend Christmas with her father John Rhoades, in Kansas City. Mr. Rhoades is 84 years of age. She will be gone about six weeks and enroute home will visit a cousin in Amarillo, Texas, whom she has not seen for 30 years.

RED CROSS
WORKER HERE

Mrs. Lulu Webster, executive secretary of the Oakland Chapter of the American Red Cross, was a visitor in Niles this week.

DINNER PARTY AT
NELSON HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nelson entertained at Sunday dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Scott and son, Harry, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Thomas of Sacramento, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Rhoades, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Jeter of Oakland, Miss Edith Alves of Niles. Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Shott are Mrs. Nelson's sisters. Rhoades is her brother and Jeter is her nephew.

Stop in and see our array of Christmas Greeting Cards. Distinctive cards for the holiday greeting for any friend or relative.—Walton's Pharmacy, Niles.

ATTEND JUNIOR
CHAMBER MEET

Lawrence Sharpe and Lawrence Pine attended the Junior Chamber of Commerce convention at Treasure Island last Saturday.

BENDEL LEADS
GROUP DISCUSSION

Roland Bendel, Washington Township foreman of the Alameda County Mosquito Abatement District, headed a discussion group on the subject, "Planning the Day's Work" at the ninth annual conference of California Mosquito Abatement Officials, held at the University of California on Monday.

Haas' Chocolate Candy, strictly fresh and done up in handsome Christmas boxes, makes a most acceptable gift.—Walton's Pharmacy, Niles.

YOUNG PEOPLE TO
SING CAROLS

Young people of the Niles Congregational Church will sing carols to shut-ins Monday night and will gather at the home of Arch Sparrowe in Decoto for a Christmas party and refreshments later.

WELFARE MEETS
TO WRAP GIFTS

The Welfare Club met with Mrs. C. E. Martenstein yesterday

with Mrs. Anna Sladek as joint hostess. Approximately 150 Christmas packages were wrapped for children in welfare homes in Southern Alameda County.

CATHOLIC LADIES
ENTERTAIN BOYS

The Catholic Ladies Guild of Niles and Decoto will entertain the altar boys Monday night at the Odd Fellows Hall. Those to be present are Edward Silva, Louis Havey, Lawrence Moise, Robert Bragg, Barney Bragg, Henry Rego, Manuel Rego, Louis Costa, Irving Williams and Francis Williams.

MERRY EVENING
PLANNED BY ARTS
AND CRAFTS GUILD

NILES — Old-fashioned dancing, Christmas music, games and skits will mark the program to be given at the third annual Christmas party and turkey dinner of the Washington Township Arts and Crafts Guild at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Shinn. Reservations should be made not later than tonight.

Miss Anna Milcent Shinn is chairman of the program and Ethel Grau is dinner chairman. Jolly Batchelor will act as master of ceremonies and D. R. Rees as chairman of the reception committee. Violin numbers will be furnished by Mrs. Jack MacGregor of Newark, accompanied by Henri Salz of Irvington. Others to appear on the program will be Nellie Pauline Gordon, Kate Sladek and Marguerite Crane.

FATHER OF MRS.
MENDENHALL DIES

NILES — Christen Christensen, a native of Denmark, passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. W. Mendenhall Wednesday night, where he had resided for the last four months.

He lived in Long Beach for 30 years. The remains will be taken to Kansas where two other daughters, Mrs. Bertie Markle and Mrs. Susie White, reside.

Former Resident
Of Township Weds
San Rafael Man

NILES — News was received here this week of the marriage of Mrs. Isabel Farrington, daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Farrington of Niles Canyon and formerly a resident of Centerville to Mr. Virgilio Cheda at San Rafael on Nov. 26, 1938.

Mrs. Cheda is the mother of Miss June Farrington, Senior at the Washington Union High School and Nancy and Richard Farrington of the Niles Grammar School. Among those attending the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Corey and family of Irvington.

On their honeymoon South, the newlyweds visited Mr. and Mrs. Norman Parks of Monterey Park, formerly of Niles, and upon their return visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Myers in Niles.

Ushers at the wedding were Angelo Turrini of San Rafael and John Dowling of San Anselmo.

The bride was given in marriage by Joseph Dias of the Cottage Hospital where she has been a member of the nursing staff for several years. Guests at the ceremony, at which Dr. John Jefferson Canoles officiated, were members of the family and close friends.

The bride's gown was of powder blue lace with net insets on the long skirt. The neck was square. The short sleeved bolero was of the same blue net and lace. Her small hat was covered with ostrich tips of the powder blue and she carried a shower bouquet of yellow roses and lilies of the valley.

Mrs. Rae Wheeler, sister of the bridegroom, who was the matron of honor, wore a lace gown of vintage brown. Her doll's hat was covered with ostrich tips in the fuchsia and magenta tones and she carried talisman roses.

Miss Margaret Paul, co-worker of the bride at the Cottage Hospital, was the maid of honor. Her gown was of biege lace and her small hat was covered with ostrich tips which matched her gown. Her bouquet was of talisman roses.

Mrs. V. J. B. Cheda, mother of the bridegroom, at whose home on Bay View street, the reception was held, wore a navy blue metalasse gown for the wedding. Her hat and accessories were burgundy and her corsage was of purple orchids.

Pink carnations centered the bride's table and the rooms of the Cheda home were decorated with the yellow chrysanthemums.

The bride, who attended the Jamestown High School in New York, received her nurse's training there.

The bridegroom, who is a member of an old San Rafael family, is a member of the Cheda Company which his grandfather established and is also one of the owners of the United Ambulance Company.

HOLD REHEARSAL
ON MONDAY FOR
JANUARY CONCERTS

NILES—The chorus and orchestra of the Southern Alameda County Musical Association will rehearse at the Hayward high school next Monday night at 8 o'clock. Special practice for the concerts to be given in January are being held and all those who are to participate are urged to attend according to John E. Kimber, president.

The tentative outline for the program of the free concerts to be given in January include four folk songs, "In Vienna Woods," a Mendelssohn number with Mrs. Oscar DeReschke as soloist and several choruses from The Messiah. The first concert will be given in Centerville on Jan. 16. There will be no admission and the public is invited to attend.

EAGLES TO SPREAD
SEASONAL JOY

ALVARADO — The Alvarado Eagles will give a Christmas program and party at the grammar school on Friday night, Dec. 23. Those in charge are Joe E. Lewis, Joe S. Martin, L. A. Russell, A. E. Vargas and Antone Lawrence. President Vernon Rose will preside.

Plans are also being made for a dance at Swiss Hall in January, for the benefit of the Eagles ball club. The committee arranging for this event includes Louis A. Silva, manager of the ball club, Joe S. Martin, John E. Silva, Antone Lawrence and Walter Silva.

FORMER MUSICIAN
CELEBRATES BIRTH

DECOTO — Isadore Franck of the Masonic Home celebrated his 92nd birthday last Friday. With him at a quiet celebration was John C. Kimball who first met Franck as an orchestra leader in San Francisco 64 years ago.

Franck is a charter member of the Musician's Union of San Francisco and was prominent in Bay city musical movements in the early California days.

REBEKAHS NAME
NEW OFFICERS

ALVARADO — The following have been elected officers of the Alvarado Rebekahs: Katherine Anderson, noble grand; Wilma Miller, vice grand; Elsa Mikkelsen, recording secretary; Annair Baird, financial secretary and Laura Orrelli, treasurer. They will be installed in January by District Deputy President Lucetta Duffey of Niles.

CLUB WILL HOLD
LADIES' NIGHT

MISSION SAN JOSE—The Tangle and Twist Fishing Club of Mission San Jose will have ladies' night dinner at the Florence Restaurant at Niles next Monday evening at 7 o'clock. Robert Stover will act as toastmaster and families of members will attend, about 40 being expected.

PIONEER RANCHER
TAKEN BY DEATH

CENTERVILLE — Funeral services were held last week for Masajiro Kataoka, 80, long-time berry rancher of this section. Services at the Chapel of the Palms were followed with cremation at the Oakhill Crematory in San Jose. Surviving are the widow and several children.

The deceased was a native of Japan.

JUNIOR PATROL
TO PLEASANTON

CENTERVILLE—Eighteen Centerville Grammar School Junior Traffic Patrol officers will attend the sixth annual Christmas party to be held at the Veterans' Memorial Building, Pleasanton on Saturday evening.

The patrol will be accompanied by Constable Tom Silva, Lions Club representative, Principal Thomas Maloney and Judge Allen G. Norris, who has been invited to act as master of ceremonies.

INSTITUTE HOLDS
CHRISTMAS PARTY

NILES — The DeGuadalupe Institute of Y. L. I. held a Christmas party at Odd Fellows Hall last night. Those in charge were Mrs. Mayme Roderick, Mrs. Claremont Secada, Mrs. Peter Brown, Miss Eleanor Roderick, Mrs. Clarence Flores, Miss May Azeveda and Miss Isabel Azeveda.

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MISSION SAN JOSE — Mrs. Frances Schliter, 33, a resident of Mission San Jose for nine years, who passed away at a Sacramento hospital after a year's illness, was given final rites at the Berge Mortuary at Irvington on Monday with mass at St. Joseph's church and interment at the St. Joseph's cemetery.

She is survived by her husband Louis, and two children. She was a native of Switzerland.

RITES HELD FOR
NEWARK BOY

NEWARK—Funeral services for Donald Kraft, 7, were held from the Berge funeral parlors in Niles last Friday and interment was at the Evergreen cemetery in Oakland. Rev. R. C. Day of Niles officiated.

The child, who passed away at an Oakland hospital after two months' illness, is survived by his father, Erhardt Kraft of Newark.

Niles
Theatre

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"HEADIN' EAST"

SUN. and MON., DEC. 18—19

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Barbara Stanwyck and
Henry Fonda in
"THE MAD MISS MANTON"

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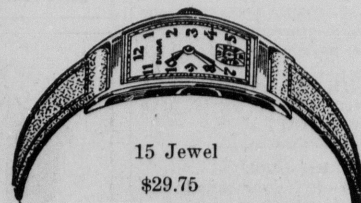
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